

**From:** [Travis Williams](#)  
**To:** [McLerran, Dennis](#)  
**Subject:** Re: Comment Period  
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Dennis -

I appreciate the desire to get it done, but seeing how things are going, I'm not confident that if you had a 30 day public comment period, that it would get done.

It seems to me you should error on the side of significant time, and input from the Community. If this thing slips - and I just read part of the LWGs dispute - it slips, and that is not the end of the world. I understand that you all have worked hard on this thing, and want to get it out there, but I think a lot of people would give EPA due credit if you extended the deadline by at least 30 days.

Thanks for your hard work on this.

Travis

On Jun 23, 2016, at 10:34 AM, McLerran, Dennis <[mclerran.dennis@epa.gov](mailto:mclerran.dennis@epa.gov)> wrote:

Travis:

We will have an announcement on that tomorrow. We understand the importance of giving the Portland Harbor communities a meaningful opportunity to comment. As you know, we also are very motivated to get a decision on the site during this Administration so we are trying to be able to accomplish both.

Dennis McLerran  
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Sent from my EPA iPhone

On Jun 23, 2016, at 10:14 AM, Travis Williams  
<[travis@willametteriverkeeper.org](mailto:travis@willametteriverkeeper.org)> wrote:

Dennis -

When will you decide whether or not to extend the comment deadline?

You may recall, other Superfund sites have received far longer

comment periods.

Passaic:

Comment period closed 8/2014 (began in 4/2014 and lasted 4 months)

ROD released 3/4/2016

Duwamish:

Comment period closed 6/13/2013 (began 2/28/2013)

ROD released 11/2014 (Errata Correction Memo released 8/2015)

In our view Portland Harbor deserves at least 90 days. I have little faith at this point that a few weeks longer will make any difference in when the EPA will finish the ROD. The Community deserves more in regard to this 15 year process, and if the EPA truly cares about community input, you will extend the deadline.

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